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SUBJ : GAO REQUIREMENTS-LABOR UNIONS

REF : STATE 188284; LAGOS A-158, JULY 12, 1973 (NOTAL)

1. AS REQUESTED REFTEL, FOLLOWING IS LIST OF DONORS KNOWN TO HAVE PROVIDED ASSISTANCE TO NIGERIAN LABOR MOVEMENT 1966-75, WITH EXPLANATIONS, AND TO EXTENT KNOWN, VALUE OF SUCH ASSISTANCE. EMBASSY MAKES NO CLAIM THAT THIS LIST IS EXHAUSTIVE. RECIPIENTS ARE LISTED, FOLLOWED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE BENEFACTORS.

2. NIGERIAN TRADE UNION CONGRESS (NTUC), RECIPIENT.

DONORS:

A. ALL-UNION CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TRADE UNIONS OF SOVIET UNION: STAFF SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES, 1967-1971, DOLS 71000. ALSO THREE YEARS' RENT FOR PATRICE LUMUMBA LABOR ACADEMY (PLLA).

B. CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TRADE UNIONS OF BULGARIA: 50 BICYCLES, 1968.

C. FEDERAL TION FREE GERMAN TRADE UNIONS: DOLS 165 BOOK DONATION TO PLLA LIBRARY, 1969.

D. INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF JOURNALISTS: THREE SCHOLARSHIPS.

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E. WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS: DOLS1650 RENT FOR PLLA, 1967.

3. UNITED LABOR CONGRESS OF NIGERIA (ULC), RECIPIENT.

DONORS:

A. AFRICAN -AMERICAN LABOR CENTER: (FOR ULC HEADQUARTERS) OFFICE EQUIPMENT; (FOR NIGERIA DOCKWORKERS UNION, ULC) OFFICE EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE, ALSO TOILETS AND WASHROOMS FOR LAGOS PORT WORKERS; (FOR ULC IN EASTERN NIGERIA) VEHICLE FOR ORGANIZATIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE WORK; (FOR TRADE UNION INSTITUTE (TUI) RENT, SALARIES-TERMINATING WITH DEPARTURE OF AALC'S JOHN N. GOULD, MAY 1975.

B. CANADIAN LABOR ORGANIZATION(S): FUNDS AND VEHICLES, 1968-72.

C. FRIEDRICH EBERT FOUNDATION: COURSES IN INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS, FRG, FOR APPROX. FIVE ULC MEMBERS, 1969-72.

D. GERMAN FEDERATION OF LABOR: FUNDS AND VEHICLES, 1968-72.

E. HISTADRUT: LABOR COURSES IN ISREAL, VALUED AT ABOUT DOLS3300, 1967-70.

F. INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF FREE TRADE UNIONS (ICFTU);: OFFICE RENT, AUTOMOBILES.

4. LABOR UNITY FRONT RECEIVED APPROX. DOLS165 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM ALL-AFRICAN TRADE UNION FEDERATION (AATUF) 1969-72.

5. NIGERIAN WORKERS' COUNCIL RECEIVED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR STAFF SALARIES AND EQUIPMENT BETWEEN 1969 AND 1974.

6. UNION MEMBERSHIP: IN 1971, WHEN 1032 UNIONS WERE REGISTERED (REF. B) THEY CLAIMED TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF 720,523. NUMBER OF REGISTERED UNIONS HAS SINCE GROWN TO SOMETHING IN EXCESS OF 1800. SIMPLE PROPORTION COMPUTATION, AFTER DROPPING LARGEST UNION (TEACHERS-130,000) FROM CALCULATION, WOULD INDICATE 1975 UNION MEMBERSHIP OF 1,160,000. SHOULD UNCLASSIFIED

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BE NOTED, HOWEVER THAT UNIONS HABITUALLY INFLATE MEMBERSHIP FIGURES, SOMETIMES 100 PERCENT OR MORE. IN ANY CASE, ESTIMATED MEMBERSHIP GROWTH SINCE 1965 IS 90 TO 100 PERCENT. CROSBY

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